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LOK SABHA

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SCHEMES TO DEAL WITH NAXALISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Inter-Ministerial Group has identified many districts in the country for fast track implementation of the centrally sponsored development schemes to deal with the Naxal problem;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a team of officers visited various naxal affected States last year;

(d) if so, the reasons unearthed for the rise of naxalism at those places; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (e): Law and order being a State subject, action with respect to various aspects / issues related to naxalite activities lies primarily in the domain of the concerned State Governments. The Central Government, however, supplements their efforts and resources by a variety of measures that include deployment of Central paramilitary forces which work under the control of the State Government concerned, sanctioning of India Reserve battalions, assistance for strengthening of the State police and Intelligence agencies, re-imbursement of security-related expenditure, assistance in training of State police forces, sharing of Intelligence, facilitating inter-State coordination and assistance in development works through a range of schemes of various Ministries, including various income-generating, public-utility and social-security schemes of Ministries like Rural Development, Agriculture, Youth Affairs and Sports, Panchayati Raj and Tribal Affairs.

The Central Government maintains a close and continuous watch on the activities of the naxalites, including periodic visits to the various States and detailed consultations with the State Government authorities about the various developments and the steps required to check and control naxalite activities.

Taking steps as appropriate and necessary, having regard to the situation obtaining, is a continuous process.

Special attention on planning, implementation and monitoring of development schemes is also being emphasized. An Inter Ministerial Group (IMG), under Additional Secretary (Naxal Management), with officers from development Ministries and Planning Commission, oversees effective implementation of development schemes in naxalite affected areas for accelerated socio-economic development.